

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL, GAS, AND MINING
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
in and for the STATE OF UTAH

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPROVAL OF THE)	
NOTICE OF INTENT AND RECLAMATION PLAN)	
SUBMITTED BY COLT MESA MINING COMPANY/)	ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHINOOK CONSTRUCTION LTD. SMITHS FEE)	NO. ACT-015-016
GROUND MINE, EMERY COUNTY, UTAH.)	

THE STATE OF UTAH TO ALL OPERATORS, TAKERS OF PRODUCTION, MINERAL AND ROYALTY OWNERS, AND PARTICULARLY ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 14 EAST, SLBM, EMERY COUNTY, UTAH.

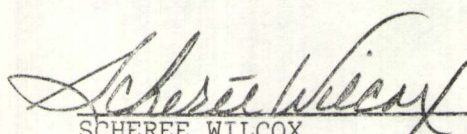
Notice is hereby given that the Utah Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining has issued tentative approval to Chinook Construction Ltd., Box 422, Green River, Utah, to conduct surface mining of uranium, on Section 5, Township 22 South, Range 14 East, SLBM, Emery County, Utah. The name of the mine is Smiths Fee Ground Mine, and the person representing the company in this matter is Mr. Ed Gauthier, Project Supervisor, Chinook Construction Company, Green River, Utah.

Chinook Construction Ltd. has been given tentative approval in compliance with the Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975 (Title 40-8), Utah Code Annotated, 1953. The operations essentially are completed, open pit mining has ceased, and the disturbed areas have been regraded. The mining was almost completed when the operator filed the Mining and Reclamation Plan and it was allowed to continue after the operator immediately posted adequate reclamation performance surety. This notice fulfills the Division's obligation under Section 40-8-13 (21) of the Act and is required prior to final approval and releasing any portion of the surety obligation of the operator.

Any person or agency aggrieved by this tentative decision is hereby requested to submit written protest within 30 days of April 14, 1978, to the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining, 1588 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah 84116, setting forth factual reasons for his complaint, and thereafter at a time and place heretobe established, appear before the Board of Oil, Gas, and Mining, to show cause, if any there be, why this plan should not be approved.

DATED this 3rd day of April, 1978.

STATE OF UTAH
BOARD OF OIL, GAS, AND MINING


SCHEREE WILCOX
Secretary of the Board